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   EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
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                    Plaintiff,
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    RAMON GUERRERO d/b/a EL
    GRULLENSE RESTAURANT II and RASIL
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    G., INC.,
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                    Defendants.
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              The final pretrial conference scheduled for May 22, 2006,
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    is rescheduled to commence at 2:30 p.m. on June 26, 2006. The
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   parties shall file a joint document no later than 4:30 p.m. on
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June 19, 2006, in which they specify Plaintiff's claim and any duly preserved affirmative defense. 1

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: May 18, 2006

/s/ Garland E. Burrell, Jr. GARLAND E. BURRELL, JR. United States District Judge

The Status (Pretrial Scheduling) Order filed January 10, 2005, provided the parties an example of how this should have been done as follows: "Each pled claim or affirmative defense must be accompanied by the elemental facts supporting it and the relief sought, if applicable. For example: Plaintiff claims that Defendant violated her Fourth Amendment right to be free from excessive force by applying the handcuffs too tightly and seeks general damages." (Order at 5-6.)

Further, Defendants should be mindful of what really constitutes an affirmative defense. "A defense which demonstrates that plaintiff has not met [his] burden of proof is not an affirmative defense. . . [A] defense which points out a defect in the plaintiff's prima facie case is not an affirmative defense." Zivkovic v. Southern Cal. Edison Co., 302 F.3d 1080, 1088 (9th Cir. 2002).